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Dear Mr. Helms:

The recent request by the House Committee on Government Operations for information on Federal real and personal property under the jurisdiction of your agency in the custody of contractors asked that "Industrial Plant Equipment" with an acquisition cost of \$1,000 or more and "Other Equipment" with an acquisition cost of \$50 or more be included in the totals reported (by State and industry) for the two categories.

Several agencies have now informed the committee that it would be much less costly and time-consuming for them to report such totals for all equipment in each category rather than to break out the items above and below the two figures cited.

After considering the problem further, we have decided that the committee's request should be modified somewhat to eliminate the \$1,000 floor for items to be included in "Industrial Plant Equipment" and the \$50 floor for items in "Other Equipment." If your agency's accounting system does not provide information to meet this revised request, please send to the committee the figures that are available along with a statement describing the basis on which they were computed.

Sincerely yours,

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